



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Applicant : Yizhong Gu, et al.
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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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January 26, 2004

AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office action of September 30, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page two 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 9 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 21 of this paper.

Applicants are also submitting, concurrently herewith, a petition to extend the period of response one month from December 30, 2003, up to and including January 26, 2004.